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SUBJECT: NEW PHILIPPINE AMBASSADOR TO UNESCO

1. FORMER NEWSPAPER EDITOR AND COLUMNIST EMILO AGUILAR CRUZ WAS SWORN IN AS PERMANENT PHILIPPINE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION (UNESCO) APRIL 29. CRUZ REPLACES ESTEFANIA ALDABA-LIM WHO REPORTEDLY WILL TAKE ANOTHER UN POSITION IN NEW YORK. CRUZ WILL FILL THE PHILIPPINE SEAT ON THE UNESCO BOARD WHICH HAS ONE YEAR REMAINING OF A FOUR-YEAR TERM.

2. CRUZ IS A CAREER JOURNALIST WHO HAS HELD POSITIONS AS CHIEF EDITORIAL WRITER FOR THE NOW DEFUNCT MANILA "TIMES" AND EDITOR-IN-CHIEF OF THE FORMER MANILA "DAILY MIRROR," WHICH WAS CLOSED AFTER THE IMPOSITION OF MARTIAL LAW IN THE PHILIPPINES. SINCE 1973 HE HAS WRITTEN A COLUMN FOR THE MANILA "TIMES JOURNAL."

3. CRUZ WAS BORN ON JUNE 5, 1915 AND IS MARRIED. HE IS A PAINTER OF SOME NOTE, WORKING IN BOTH OIL AND WATER COLOR. HE WENT TO THE UNITED STATES AS A LEADER GRANTEE IN 1955, BUT IS WELL KNOWN FOR HIS STRONG ANTI-US SENTI-
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